




## Meet our Governors

<p><b>Craig D’Cunha</b> <b>Principal</b></p>  <p>Pecuniary Interests: Active Learning Trust –Member Raedwald Trust – Trustee Chartered College of Teaching – member ASCL - member</p>	
<p><b>Miles Cole</b> <b>Chair of Governors</b></p>  <p>Pecuniary Interests: Chantry Academy – Chair of Governors University of Suffolk employee Chair of Trustees at Gateway Qualifications</p>	<p>I am passionate about education and have spent most of my working life involved in adult &amp; community education and widening participation in Ipswich and Suffolk. I currently work at the University of Suffolk where I am managing some of the University’s outreach and community based activity helping to raise the aspiration of the young people in the region. I bring extensive senior management experience of Further Education and Community Learning in Suffolk and London including head of FE at Suffolk County Council and Head of Curriculum for Community Learning. I believe in the power of education to transform people’s lives and that everyone is entitled to high quality learning.</p> <p>Other roles I have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trustee and Chair of Gateway Qualifications</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gareth Connor</b> <b>Parent Governor</b></p>  <p>Pecuniary Interests: Chantry Academy – Parent Governor</p>	<p>I am a 39-year-old father of two. I hail from a military background and moved to Ipswich on discharge from the Army in 2016 having served seven years. I continue to serve in the Army through the AAC reserves based at Wattisham. My eldest daughter joined Year 7 in September 2019 and is thoroughly enjoying her new school. I have been keen to apply for the Parent Governor vacancy as I believe strongly in parent/teacher co-ordination in our children’s education whilst playing an active part in maintaining the high standards that Chantry Academy has set itself in recent years.</p>
<p><b>Colin Haddock</b> <b>Parent Governor</b></p> <p>Pecuniary Interests: Chantry Academy – Parent Governor</p>	<p>I attended Nacton Heath High School in the 1980s. I left in 1983 and started work at Willis Faber, on the Youth Training Scheme, and was fortunate to be taken on full time after six months. I then moved to Willis in London and took up the role of Space Planning and Moves, and worked my way up to the Head of Department. I now work at Barclays Investment Bank in Canary Wharf. I run the UK Occupancy team looking after the space portfolio needs across the banking sectors.</p> <p>I would love the opportunity serve as a Parent Governor at Chantry and be involved in assisting, where possible, in the school to maintain and develop further the good relations between parents, pupils and teachers.</p>



I believe the Academy has an important role to play in the local and wider community and, as a Parent Governor, it would be our role to promote the Academy.

**Lucy Bayliss**  
**Trust Governor**

Pecuniary Interests:  
Chantry Academy – Trust Governor  
Dance East - Employee



I have been working in the arts sector for the last 18 years, specialising in participation and training and am passionate about arts engagement and access for people across life stages and abilities. On joining DanceEast and relocating to Ipswich in 2005, I developed and managed the Centre for Advanced Training (a talent development programme for young dancers), delivered community and engagement projects and was instrumental in working towards the opening of the Jerwood DanceHouse in 2009. I now leads the Creative Team, which programmes and delivers DanceEast's offer at the Jerwood DanceHouse and across the East of England, representing the national network of Centres for Advanced Training on the Dance Programme Board and supports a number of education, training and health and wellbeing projects and panels. As DanceEast's lead on project and partnership development, I work across the cultural sector and launched an innovative new BA (Hons) Dance with the University of Suffolk in 2018. In 2019/20 I will be joining the Clore Fellowship programme for leaders in the cultural sector, as the 2019/20 supported by the Linbury Trust and the Clore Duffield Foundation.

**Iain Dunnett**  
**Trust Governor**





Pecuniary Interests:  
Chantry Academy – Trust Governor  
New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership - Employee

I am lead for the Green Economy Partnership and the Growing Places Fund with the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership. In this role I support the development of the Green Economy Partnership, taking this organisation forward to a sustainable and commercial future that benefits the many businesses that operate in this dynamic new area of the economy; I also manage other business and funding development opportunities. Previously I developed a Low Carbon Development Unit at the Suffolk Chamber of Commerce and managed production of the Green Economy Pathfinder and Manifesto on behalf of the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership, this built upon my experience of raising and managing the aspiration and partnership of Creating the Greenest County in Suffolk.

Previous to this I enjoyed ten years of environmental, recreational and heritage management project management roles in Suffolk, before taking up the post of External Funding Manager at Suffolk County Council managing European finances and other investments.

I hold a BSc in Environmental Studies, DMS Management Studies, is a Common Purpose Graduate, and completed an NLP Leadership Development Programme. My early career took him from working with the RSPB, the South Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the Cheshire Wildlife Trust, to the USA and the Audubon Society in Massachusetts, Mono Lake Programme in California and Operation Raleigh in Australia.

In addition, I have held many voluntary positions in organisations:-  
Current - Fellow of Suffolk New College, Forestry Commission Advisory Committee Member for Eastern Region, Creating the Greenest County Board Member, Wild Anglia Local Nature Partnership Adviser, Green Economy Partnership Board Member.  
Past - Director of Foundation East, Princes Trust Board Member.

<p><b>Reverend Robert Hinsley</b> <b>Trust Governor</b></p>  <p>Pecuniary Interests: Chantry Academy – Trust Governor – volunteer South West Ipswich Team Ministry - Employee Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich MAT – member and Director Parochial Church Council of the South West Ipswich Ministry Team – Chair and Trustee St Mary at Stoke Charity –Chair and Trustee Bright Sparks Nursery –Committee Member /Trustee CYM Ipswich – Trustee /Director Hillside Primary – Chair of Governors</p>	<p>I am the Team Rector for the South West Ipswich Team Ministry (appointed November 2014) and I come with a background in the civil service having served for three years as a manager in the DWP before training to be a Vicar. I am about to start my third (and final) year as the Chair of Governors of Langer Primary Academy in Felixstowe where I have remained to help provide stability amongst the governors between Ofsted visits. I am also a director of the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich MAT and the Board of Education which gives me a different perspective on the life and work of academies. I have also served as a member of the Bishop’s Safeguarding Panel, advising with colleagues on policy as well as risk assessment, this was certified to group 3 by Suffolk County Council.</p> <p>I am passionate about communities working together, not least to provide the best education for our young people and believe that I can bring a different strand to the life of the academy. After meeting with the Principal, I am impressed with his passion and the ethos of the ALT board and would be honoured to work with the Senior Leadership Team, whole staff and student body to achieve outstanding levels of education for what are an outstanding group of students. To continue to build the reputation of the academy within the community which I also live and work.</p>
<p><b>Kevin Williams</b> <b>Trust Governor</b></p>  <p>Pecuniary Interests: None</p>	<p>I was educated locally in Ipswich, at Sprites Infant and Junior Schools, before spending 7 years at Chantry High School (1984 to 1991) studying for GCSE’s and A-Levels.</p> <p>After completing A-Levels, I spent 13 years working for NatWest Bank plc, progressing through various positions, culminating in the role of Manager, Commercial Banking. I left NatWest Bank in November 2004 and joined Willis Limited (now Willis Towers Watson); and am currently holding the role of Director of Accounting &amp; Settlement division.</p> <p>I am married with a daughter (currently aged 10 years old), who is hoping to attend Chantry Academy from September 2020; keen golfer with an interest in most sports, as well as enjoying a good book or movie.</p> <p>I would welcome the opportunity to be a member of the Chantry Academy Local Governing Body; not only from the point of view of being a former pupil of Chantry, but also from the perspective of recognising that Chantry Academy is a key and integral part of the local community. I have been impressed by the growth in stature and reputation of the Academy in recent years, and to be able to contribute and be part of the continuing growth of the Academy is something that appeals to me.</p> <p>I believe my business experience in a strategic led environment lends itself well to being part of a group that is not afraid to challenge in a constructive and positive manner. I am also a great believer in continuous improvement and looking for solutions to identified issues; all of which I believe will fit well with the ethos and ambitions of the Academy.</p>
<p><b>Sue McArdle</b> <b>Staff Representative</b></p>	<p>I have been an English teacher for over 20 years beginning my career in a large comprehensive school in South East London. I moved to Ipswich in 2009 for family reasons. Since then I have enjoyed being a Head of English, Leader of Learning and Literacy Lead in another local secondary school. In 2019, I was seconded to Chantry Academy as part of the Ipswich Opportunity Area</p>



Pecuniary Interests:  
Chantry Academy - Teacher

projects to help lead oracy and maths intervention. Having thoroughly enjoyed my year at Chantry, I was delighted to be offered the chance to continue working at Chantry Academy. I now lead Oracy and am looking to develop the research element of the school – developing best practice for teaching and learning. I am passionate about the power of education to improve opportunities and life chances. I hope to bring my experience to support the governing body and help sustain the standards, ethos and success of Chantry Academy.

**Jenny Smith**  
**Staff Representative**



Pecuniary Interests:  
Chantry Academy – Support Staff

I am an ex-Chantry High School student. I have had more than 30 years in retail, until my early retirement last year. I served as a Shop Steward for my trade union for 7 years, Divisional Councillor for 6 years. Elected in 2019 as Ipswich Borough Councillor for Sprites Ward. It is an honour to serve the community in which I was born and raised. I joined the Academy in October 2020 and look forward to being able to give something back to the school that started me on my journey.